



Graduate School, Khon Kaen University Announcement

(No. 87/2023)

On The Change of Study Plan in Graduate Level

To ensure that the change of study plan in graduate level proceeds smoothly and provide educational opportunities for students, while maintaining the quality and standards of education at Khon Kaen University. By the virtue of Section 40 of Khon Kaen University Act B.E. 2558 and the Regulations of Khon Kaen University on Graduate Education Level, B.E. 2566 Chapter 3. Adhere to the agreement of Committee Board of the Graduate School Meeting at the 11/2023 on June 20, 2023, by circular resolution, has therefore issued the announcement as follows:

Clause 1 This announcement shall be called “Graduate School, Khon Kaen University Announcement (No. 87/2023) on The Change of Study Plan in Graduate Level.

Clause 2 This announcement is effective from the issued date onwards.

Clause 3 The previous Graduate School, Khon Kaen University Announcement (No. 25/2017) on The Change of Study Plan in Graduate Level is no longer applied.

Clause 4 In this announcement:

“University”	refers to	Khon Kaen University
“Faculty”	refers to	a faculty, college, or department that has graduate programs.
“Student”	refers to	graduate students of Khon Kaen University
“Course”	refers to	the various academic courses taught in the graduate level curriculum.
“Study plan”	refers to	the study plan that graduate students choose to enroll in. There are 2 plans for the master’s level as follows:

Plan 1 Academic Type: this plan is research oriented. It can be divided into 2 types as follows:

Plan 1 Type A1: Students focus solely on thesis conduct. The thesis course must have a minimum of 36 credits. The program may assign additional courses or academic activities without credit counting, but must meet the specified performance criteria of the curriculum.

Plan 1 Type A2: It consists of thesis course with a minimum of 12 credit, and other coursework with a minimum of 12 credit.

Plan 2 Professional Type: this plan is a non-thesis program that focuses on coursework and the practical application of knowledge in the profession. This plan requires independent study at least 3 credits, but not exceeding 6 credits.

For doctoral level, there are 2 study plans as follows:

Plan 1 is a research-oriented plan that involves conducting research and producing a thesis to generate new knowledge. The program may assign additional courses or academic activities without credit counting but must meet the specified performance criteria of the curriculum. Plan 1 is divided into 2 types as follows:

Plan 1.1: Students holding a master's degree are required to complete a minimum of 48 thesis credits.

Plan 1.2: Students holding a bachelor's degree are required to complete a minimum of 72 thesis credits.

Plan 2 is a research-oriented plan that focuses on producing a high-quality thesis contributing to the academic and professional advancements. Coursework is required for this plan. Plan 2 is divided into 2 types as follows:

Plan 2.1: Students holding a master's degree are required to complete a minimum of 36 thesis credits, and study other coursework at least 12 credits.

Plan 2.2: Students holding a bachelor's degree are required to complete a minimum of 48 thesis credits, and study other coursework at least 24 credits.

Clause 5 Changing the study plan refers to modifying of study plan within the same level and field of study.

Clause 6 Eligible individuals to request a change in the study plan are students who have successfully passed the admission process at Khon Kaen University and meet the qualifications specified by the new study plan they intend to adopt.

Clause 7 Criteria and process of changing study plan

7.1 A student wishing to request a change in the study plan must submit a request for a change in the study plan, with the approval of the academic advisor and the Program Administrative Committee.

7.2 Credit transfer and course grades

7.2.1 The courses registered in the previous study plan, which are equivalent to the courses in the new study plan and have grade result not lower than of

'B' or an 'S' grade are allowed to transfer for all courses. The transferred credits are then calculated into the cumulative grade point average. In case the courses are not part of the new study plan, credit transfer is not applicable.

7.2.2 Thesis or independent study courses that have been registered and assessed, and contain related content, may be eligible for credit transfer. The decision for credit transfer is at the discretion of the thesis or independent study advisor and the Program Administrative Committee.

7.3 The dean of faculty shall approve the change of study plan and notify the result of approval to the Graduate School and The Bureau of Academic Administrative and Development.

Clause 8 The fees for changing the study plan shall comply with the university's announcement.

Clause 9 The Dean of the Graduate School shall be in charge of this announcement. In case the principles or guidelines are not defined, or if any dispute arises from this announcement, the Dean of the Graduate School has the final authority regarding arbitration, and his/her decision is final.

Announced on June 21, 2023

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Dean of Graduate School